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Oregon Life Inaugurates New Policy

F. W. Woolley was a business visitor in Sherman county this week from his home at The Dalles. Mr. Woolley is resident district manager for this section for the Oregon Life Insurance Co. and was in the county on business connected with his company.

Mr. Woolley, when calling at this office, stated that the Oregon Life has inaugurated a new Health Service for their policy holders and, he also stated, that the Oregon Life was the only Pacific coast company that furnish this service. The service is free to their clients and is a periodical inspection of their health and a check on tendencies toward future illness by competent physicians who prescribe any change in diet, etc., that may seem necessary. The service is based upon the assumption that the human machine needs an inspection similar to an automobile or locomotive or harvester.

It has been proven by records of one of the largest insurance companies in the world that this health inspection to their clients has added five years to the life of their individual policy holders.

Marsh words uttered to one's wife, mother-in-law, janitor, barber or next door neighbor can never be unsaid. Once the tongue slips the die is cast, the Rubicon crossed, and all that sort of thing. But not so with the written word of abuse. You may take your pen in hand and draw up a rough indictment of any one who displeases you, put it in an envelope, address the envelope and drop it in a mail box. Here is where the government steps in and permits you to eat your cake and have it too. If on your way homeward from the box your knees knock together so much as to interfere with your progress you can still get your letter back. It is never too late with a post office department that desires to discourage domestic homicide, says the New York Sun. All you have to do is to go to your local postmaster and ask to have the letter withdrawn from the mails; he will comply with your requests, provided you give an accurate description of the letter and furnish an example of your handwriting. Postmasters may even telegraph to the railway mail clerk and ask him to get a certain letter out of a mail pouch after it has left the city on its way to its destination. Who says we ain't got a paternal government?

The buffalo, once so near to extinction, has increased so much in the Canadian government park at Watkinsburg that the authorities are contemplating slaughtering 1,000 bulls. Thirteen years ago the government obtained the nucleus of the herd from a half-breed Indian in Montana. Since then the animals have multiplied eight and a half times and now number about 7,000. The estimated value is \$2,000,000.

King Constantine, that was, complains that he is annoyed by the attention he attracts. Let him be reassured. If he'll keep still for a couple of months, the world won't remember who he is when it meets him on the street.

About the noisiest financial operation in the world these days is cutting a mine. It always suggests the thought that behind the social unrest is not what we ourselves lack but what other fellows seem to have.

Dr. Jos. Saunders, V. S.

has returned to Sherman County for the summer. He will practice his profession at Moro and vicinity.

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BRIEF NEWS

Paragraphs on State, County and Community's Events

Joe Simmons and J. W. Casey, trustees at the state penitentiary, have escaped.

The bankers of Oregon will meet in annual convention in Albany, June 8 and 9.

The cannery fleet which goes to Alaskan waters will leave Astoria early in the month.

An enrollment at Oregon Agricultural college to date of 3401 students for this year has been announced.

The last of the Oregon district conferences of American Legion posts this year will be held in Portland on April 14.

A general rise in the wage scale at the plant of the Hawley Pulp & Paper company at Oregon City was put into effect April 1.

H. R. Van Duzer of Portland has accepted appointment as a member of the state highway commission to succeed John B. Yeon.

A big advertising campaign to push the sale of Holstein milk will be inaugurated at once by the Lane County Holstein-Friesian association.

The McKenzie Swiss Cheese company, which operates a factory near Thurston, in Lane county, has arranged to bring in a herd of about 20 registered Holstein cows.

The highest temperature ever recorded in Portland in March was registered at the weather bureau office last week when the thermometer reached 82 degrees, which is 3 degrees above the former record.

The newly-appointed members of the state parole board held their first meeting in Salem last week. A large number of applications for parole were considered, but in most cases definite action was deferred.

Prospects for a bumper cherry crop in the Willamette valley were never better than at the present time, according to W. M. Van Trump, Marion county fruit inspector, who recently made a survey of the orchards.

Governor Pierce and members of the state irrigation and drainage securities commission left Salem Tuesday or southern and central Oregon, where they will inspect a number of the larger irrigation projects in the state.

Christopher Quisley, Klamath Falls logging contractor, was killed when the automobile which he was driving from Treks to Hornbrook, Cal., skidded off the rim of the road at a turn and fell 140 feet into the Shasta river.

Charles L. McNary, senator from Oregon, has returned to Washington, D. C. from the gulf states, where he has been presiding over hearings of the senate committee of reforestation. He will remain there indefinitely to hold further hearings.

In a letter to the Astoria Chamber of Commerce, A. B. Hammond of San Francisco, head of the Hammond Lumber company, announced that he will visit Astoria within the next 60 days to take up the matter of rebuilding the company's big mill there.

Loganberry growers of Marion county, against whom judgments aggregating \$122,000 recently were obtained by the Salem Fruit union and the Pheasant company, have announced that the case will be appealed to the supreme court for final determination.

Owners of for hire-car garages, who rent automobiles to bootleggers, must sue in the federal court to recover their property, if the rented machine is seized by dry agents, according to a ruling made by Dr. J. A. Linville, national prohibition director for Oregon.

Clips of wool, estimated to be of a total weight of 125,000 pounds, changed hands at Pendleton when wool growers of the Pilot Rock and Butter creek country sold to J. W. Beymer of Heppner. Prices reported on the majority of the clips was 42 1/2 cents a pound.

Production for the 138 mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ended March 24 was 16 per cent above normal, according to a report issued. New business was 4 per cent above normal and shipments were 10 per cent above new business.

The Hood River chamber of commerce has forwarded an appeal to the Oregon state chamber of commerce and the Portland chamber of commerce, asking their co-operation in plans for an early construction of a spur road from the Mount Hood Loop highway to Cloud Cap inn and Elliot glacier. The Hood River club has been informed by the Portland office of the United States forestry service that immediate work on the road will be assured if Hood River and other cities interested will raise \$25,000. The total cost of grading the lateral road is estimated at \$80,000.

Governor Pierce and Percy Cupper, state engineer, have returned to Salem after making a thorough inspection of the Warm Springs irrigation district in Malheur county. This district contains approximately 31,000 acres of land and has ample water available for all purposes. The district has authorized and issued bonds aggregating \$1,550,000, and has requested that the state guarantee the payment of interest on these securities. It was because of this request that the officials decided to make an inspection of the project.

Jack LaRose, who was sentenced to serve a life term in the state penitentiary for the murder of a second-hand dealer in Portland more than 15 years ago, was released from the institution Saturday under the provision of a commutation of sentence granted last December.

Roy Klein, secretary of the highway commission has been temporarily appointed chief engineer of the department by the commission. This action was taken following the acceptance of the resignation of Herbert Nunn, who has had charge of the engineering since the commission was created in 1917.

Civil service examinations have been requested by the postoffice department to select postmasters for the following cities and towns: Ashland, Athens, Aurora, Banks, Beaverton, Brownsville, Canyon City, Fossil, Gervais, Hillsboro, John Day, Lakeview, Madras, Mount Angel, Newport, North Bend, Toledo, Warrenton and Yamhill.

Because of the circulation of reports that Governor Pierce intends to reduce the expense of conducting the state highway department by weeding out a large number of employees, a delegation of highway engineers visited the executive and urged that he refrain from demoralizing the department through any drastic action.

Fires in the peat and tulle deposits of Lower Klamath lake have broken out again, according to reports received from Klamath Falls by United States Game Warden Steele. Conservationists are considering the possibility of letting in water from Upper Klamath lake to the dry bed of the lower lake to put out the fire if it continues.

Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, has sent letters to the heads of all state departments and institutions requesting information to be included in the Blue Book for the years 1923 and 1924. The Blue Book contains a large amount of information regarding state activities, and is printed under an appropriation authorized by the legislature.

The Marion county court has announced that it was ready to proceed with the construction of the Pudding river bridge on the route of the Pacific highway between Salem and Portland and that the next move is up to the Clackamas county officials. A bid of \$74,000 has been received and is now before the state highway officials for approval.

Announcement by representatives of the Sacramento Investment company of Sacramento, Cal., which recently acquired title to the 401 ranch near Medford, one of the largest orchard properties in that vicinity, that the white employees would be replaced by Japanese, has called forth vigorous protests from various civic and fraternal organizations.

Brigadier-General Mitchell, assistant chief of the air service of the United States army, with headquarters at Washington, D. C., is expected to visit Oregon within a few days, according to word received at Eugene from Crissey field, San Francisco. General Mitchell will confer with state and federal forest officials while in Oregon regarding the air fire patrol.

There were three fatalities due to industrial accidents in Oregon in the week ending March 29, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victims were Howard House, chaser, Gresham; Olof E. Peterson, laborer, Sumpster; and John Heberston, powder man, Sixes. A total of 567 accidents were reported to the commission.

Taxes to be raised in the state of Oregon for the year 1923, based on the tax rolls for last year, will exceed the returns for the year 1922, based on the tax rolls for the previous year, by approximately \$540,000. This was indicated in a comparative statement for the years 1922 and 1923, issued by the state tax commission. For the year 1923 there will be raised a total tax of \$40,942,271.73, as against \$40,401,709.21 last year.

Berry and hopgrowers of the Willamette valley are reported to be confronted by one of the most serious labor situations in their history. They need workers, but declare they cannot afford to pay more than 30 cents an hour. This wage has been refused by laborers, who prefer the logging camps and other industries, where better wages prevail. Unless there is relief some of the growers said it would be necessary to cut down their cultivated acreage.

One million or more feet of fir timber in the Siuslaw forest on the Alsea river 12 miles from Waldport has been sold to the Lawson Logging company at \$1.25 per 1000 feet, according to announcement at the office of Ralph S. Shelley, supervisor of this forest, at Eugene. This company will cut the timber, drag it to the Alsea, raft it down that stream to the logging railway and then haul it to the Yaquina river, where it will again be rafted to the mill at Toledo.

A burial ground of what is pronounced to be an ancient race of mound builders has been unearthed directly across the river from Albany by a farmer, Clyde Peacock. Mr. Peacock made the discovery while plowing a field which has been under cultivation for many years. The plowshare was caught by a rock, and, after digging the rock out, it was found to be a fine specimen of mortar. Upon digging further Peacock unearthed skulls, knives, skeletons, charcoal and more mortars and pestles.

CHURCH NEWS

Notes of Interest to All Local Denominations

Rev. W. L. Dillinger will preach in Moro Methodist church next Sunday at eleven o'clock.

Rev. U. C. Smothers will preach at the Methodist church at the union meeting Sunday evening.

Rev. U. C. Smothers will preach at Spaulding chapel next Sunday. The Sunday School will render a short program before the sermon.

Rev. U. C. Smothers preached an Easter sermon at Grass Valley Sunday evening. The choir sang several special selections appropriate to the occasion.

At the Presbyterian church next Sunday, Rev. B. F. Harper will conduct the morning service in the absence of the pastor, Rev. H. G. Hanson. Sunday School as usual at ten o'clock.

The subject for next Sunday morning service at the Christian Science church will be "Unreality." The golden text is from Psalms 37:35, 36. The responsive reading is taken from Genesis 11:1-9.

The Easter program given by the Methodist Sunday School last Sunday morning was a decided success and showed the painstaking care the committee had taken in training the children to perform their parts.

The Christian Endeavor Society will meet in the Methodist church at six-forty-five Sunday evening. The meeting will be led by Miss Marguerite Foss, on "What are Wise and Unwise uses of the Lord's Day?" The lesson is taken from Isaiah 66:1-14; and Psalm 118:24.

Rev. B. F. Harper, Sunday School missionary for Pendleton Presbytery, will arrive this Saturday afternoon and will preach in the Gorman school house on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. Harper will also be present and take part in the local services on Sunday.

The Dorcas Society will hold their usual monthly tea next Tuesday afternoon, April 10th, at the home of Mrs. J. C. McKean. Mrs. Otto Peetz will assist Mrs. McKean as hostess for the occasion. The change of date from Wednesday is made so that the ladies may have a chance to meet and hear Mrs. Charles W. Williams of Portland, who will arrive on the afternoon train for the meeting of Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Pendleton will hold its usual spring meeting in Moro next Tuesday and Wednesday. It is expected that some twenty-five delegates may be in attendance. Pendleton Presbytery is made up of ministers and elders from churches in the counties of Hood River, Wasco, Sherman and Umatilla between the Cascade and Blue mountains and as far south as Bend. As the roads are now in good condition many of the delegates will likely make the trip by automobile.

The young people's society of Christian Endeavor served an Easter breakfast in the basement of the Presbyterian church at 7:30 Sunday morning. Twenty-seven people sat down to the tables and partook of the spread consisting of oranges, bacon and eggs, hot biscuits and coffee. The praise service was conducted by Rev. Henry G. Hanson on the subject of "The Meaning of Easter." The discussion was helpful and evoked a series of questions as to the conditions of the future life.

At ten o'clock at the Presbyterian church Easter morning the Sunday school classes went into session for the first half hour. At ten-thirty a splendid program arranged by Mrs. C. L. Foley and the other teachers of the school was rendered to an audience that filled the house. The morning service of the church was merged with that of the Sunday School and the pastor, after a special message had been given to the little folks, preached a sermon on the theme "It is Finished." About 150 people attended this service.

A farmer near L'Islet, Quebec, meets a band of gypsies and swaps his son for a horse. The law rescues the lad and brings the father to account. His defense is: "The boy is mine. I can do with him as I please." Once that was the normal attitude. It still is in parts of the Orient, where children are sold like dogs. Today our courts hold that children have rights even before they are born. You can measure a nation's degree of civilization by its care of its children.

Reiters, ahoy! The Associated General Contractors check up and predict that 780,000 new dwellings will be built in the United States this year. A long row to hoe yet, however. The housing shortage at the beginning of 1922 was 1,000,000 homes. Out of the estimated 780,000 homes to be built this year 611,000 are for normal requirements, mostly replacing old ones. The balance, only 169,000, applies to the shortage.

Overseers in an Eastern school have announced that gambling will warrant the dismissal of a student. It appears that no one ever worked his way through college waiting on a green baize table.

If those pessimists who are bewailing the whitelivered complexion of the times would think some original, progressive and constructive thoughts they might find the public gratifyingly appreciative.

Presbytery Meets at Moro Next Week

The following program has been arranged for the stated spring meeting of Pendleton Presbytery to be held at First Presbyterian church, Moro, Oregon, on April 10th and 11th.

Tuesday, April 10th:

8 p. m. Popular meeting; service of praise and song; address by Mrs. Charles W. Williams, Portland, secretary Woman's North Pacific Board of Missions.

9 p. m. Presbytery called to order; roll call; reading of minutes; election of officers; report of committee on arrangements.

Wednesday, April 11th:

9 a. m. Devotional half-hour, conducted by Rev. R. A. Hutchinson, Parkdale; business session; reports of standing committees, etc.

12:00 Noon luncheon at Hotel Moro for delegates and friends.

1 p. m. Public meeting at the high school auditorium, address by Rev. George L. Clark, Pendleton, formerly Student Pastor at O. A. C.

2 p. m. Afternoon business session; reports.

3 p. m. Election of commissioners to general assembly; finishing of all business and adjournment.

5 p. m. Visit of delegates to government experiment station.

8 p. m. Popular meeting, in charge of Moderator; service of praise and song; address by Rev. David A. Thompson, Portland, synodical superintendent of Home Missions.

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